



## CALIFORNIA STATE THREAT ASSESSMENT CENTER

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### (U) CALIFORNIA

#### (U) Los Angeles – Man Shoots at LA County Deputies after Facing Arrest

(U) A man wanted for sex crimes opened fire on Los Angeles County sheriff's deputies outside their station after they tried to arrest him. The man had gone inside and said that he wanted to register as a sex offender when a deputy learned that he had an active felony warrant. When the suspect learned this he fled to his vehicle, grabbed a shotgun and began to open fire as the deputies chased him. Though deputies fired several rounds officials believe that the man took his own life. No one else was injured and the event is under investigation.

SOURCE: 20 March 2017, [Sacramento Bee](#)

#### (U) Mariposa-Prison Officials Seek Escaped Inmate

(U) California prison officials are searching for a minimum-security inmate who walked away from the Sierra Conservation Center, Mount Bullion Conservation Camp in Mariposa County on 20 March. Blake Castro was reported missing during an inmate count. He was last seen at 2 am 20 March in his assigned housing unit. Castro was committed to the facility in August 2016 for a four year sentence for inflicting corporal injury on a cohabitant. Local law enforcement and the California Highway Patrol are assisting in the search.

SOURCE: 20 March 2017, [Fresno Bee](#)

### (U) NATIONAL

#### (U) District of Columbia – US to Limit Electronic Devices for Passengers on Foreign Airlines

(U) Washington – Passengers on foreign airlines headed to the United States from ten airports in eight countries have been barred from carrying electronic devices larger than a cellphone under new flight restrictions. The restricted items include laptop computers, tablets, cameras, travel printers, and games bigger than a phone according to the Department of Homeland Security. The restrictions do not apply to aircraft crew. The new policy takes effect as of 12am PST on 21 March and must be followed within 96 hours by airlines flying from Jordan, Egypt, Turkey, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Morocco, Qatar, and the United Arab Emirates. The directive is an attempt to address gaps in foreign airport security and is not based on any specific threat. It does not apply to US based airlines.

SOURCE: 21 March 2017, [NY Times](#)

### (U) INTERNATIONAL

#### (U) Mexico – Cartel Boss Killed in Chihuahua Violence

(U) Cuauhtemoc – A reputed drug cartel boss was killed in a massive gun-battle between rival cartel factions along with seven others on 19 March. Four police officers were also wounded. Cesar Raul Gamboa Sosa aka "El Cabo" was declared dead after his body was found 20 March and identified by family and through tattoos. Gamboa was reputed to be a drug trafficker in the western part of the state and was allegedly linked to numerous homicides authorities said. The fighting is attributed to infighting

between Gamboa and Carlos Arturo Quintana aka "El 80" and occurred in western Chihuahua, northwest of Chihuahua City.

SOURCE: 20 March 2017, [El Paso Times](#)

**(U) SOUTHWEST BORDER**

**(U) New Mexico – Agents Seize of 3,000 Pounds of Marijuana**

(U) Lordsburg – US Border Patrol agents on the ground and Customs and Border Patrol Air and Marine personnel together seized over 3,000 pounds of marijuana being smuggled through dense terrain in the boot heel of New Mexico. After the ground search became difficult due to rough terrain, agents contacted air support helped to locate the vehicles. Agents arrested three suspects and seized 3,610 pounds of marijuana and two trucks several miles north of the initial illegal entry point. Immigration and Customs Enforcement is investigating the three suspects.

SOURCE: 20 March 2017, [Deming Headlight](#)

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